

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

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MASSACHUSETTS CARPENTERS CENTRAL COLLECTION
AGENCY, and the TRUSTEES of the MASSACHUSETTS
STATE CARPENTERS PENSION FUND, MASSACHUSETTS
STATE CARPENTERS GUARANTEED ANNUITY FUND,
MASSACHUSETTS STATE CARPENTERS HEALTH
BENEFITS FUND, MASSACHUSETTS STATE CARPENTERS
VACATION AND HOLIDAY FUND, NEW ENGLAND
CARPENTERS TRAINING FUND, BOSTON CARPENTERS
APPRENTICESHIP & TRAINING FUND, CARPENTERS LOCAL
108 HEALTH & WELFARE FUND, WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS
APPRENTICESHIP & TRAINING FUND, NORTHEASTERN
MASSACHUSETTS APPRENTICESHIP & TRAINING FUND,
WORCESTER CARPENTERS APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING
FUND and the SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS
APPRENTICESHIP & TRAINING FUND,

Plaintiffs,

v.

MHC CORP.,

Defendant.

MAGISTRATE JUDGE

RECEIPT #
AMOUNT \$150
SUMMONS ISSUED YES
LOCAL RULE 4.1
WAIVER FORM
MCF ISSUED
BY DPTY. CLK. ROM
DATE 8/30/04
CIVIL ACTION
NO.

COMPLAINT

1. This is an action under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), 29 U.S.C. Sections 1132 and 1145, and Section 301 of the Labor Management Relations Act of 1947 (hereinafter "LMRA"), 29 U.S.C. Section 185, to compel MHC Corp. to make contributions and other payments owed to plaintiffs.

2. Jurisdiction is conferred by 29 U.S.C. Sections 1132(e)(1) and (f) and 29 U.S.C. Sections 185(a), (b) and (c).

3. Venue lies in this district pursuant to 29 U.S.C. Section 1132(e)(2) and U.S.C. Section 185(c).

4. The Massachusetts State Carpenters Pension Fund, the Massachusetts State Carpenters Guaranteed Annuity Fund, the Massachusetts State Carpenters Health Benefits Fund, the New England Carpenters Training Fund, Carpenters Local 108 Health & Welfare Fund, Western Massachusetts Apprenticeship & Training Fund, Boston Carpenters Apprenticeship & Training Fund, North Eastern Massachusetts Apprenticeship & Training Fund, Massachusetts State Carpenters Vacation and Holiday Fund, Worcester Carpenters Apprenticeship Training Fund and the Southeastern Massachusetts Apprenticeship & Training Fund (collectively, the "Funds") are trusts established in accordance with 29 U.S.C. §186(c), are employee pension benefit or welfare plans as defined by 29 U.S.C. 1002(2), and are governed by the plaintiff Trustees each of whom is a fiduciary to the plans as defined by 29 U.S.C. §1002(21).

5. The New England based local unions affiliated with the United Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners of America (the "Union") are labor organizations as defined by 29 U.S.C. Section 152(5).

6. Each of the Funds is a plan that is maintained pursuant to collective bargaining agreements between the Union and more than one employer, and is a plan to which more than one employer is required to contribute for all covered work performed by employees working within the territories defined by the agreements.

7. Plaintiff Massachusetts Carpenters Central Collection Agency (hereinafter "the MCCCCA") is an agency established by the Massachusetts State Carpenters Pension Fund which has been designated by the Trustees of each of the various Funds identified in paragraph 4 and

by the Union to collect all monies owed to the Funds and others by employers pursuant to collective bargaining agreements with the Union.

8. Defendant MHC Corp., (the "Employer") is a corporation incorporated and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and having a place of business in Dorchester, Massachusetts.

9. The Employer is engaged in an industry affecting commerce as defined in ERISA, 29 U.S.C. Sections 1002(5), (11) and (12), and as defined in LMRA, 29 U.S.C. Sections 152(2), (6) and (7).

10. The Employer was a party to one or more collective bargaining agreements (the "Agreement") with the Union at all times material herein.

11. The Employer has failed to make contributions to the plaintiffs for work performed by its employees as required by the Agreement.

12. The Employer has failed to submit to plaintiffs monthly reports of the number of hours worked by each employee as required by the Agreement.

13. The Agreement further provides that, in the event the Employer fails to make its required contributions in a timely fashion, the Employer is obligated to the Funds, in addition to the principal amounts owed, for interest from the date when the payment was due, liquidated damages and for all costs and reasonable attorney's fees expended by the plaintiffs in any action collecting the delinquent contributions.

WHEREFORE, the plaintiffs demand judgment against the defendant as follows:

1. That the defendant be ordered to submit the delinquent monthly reports of hours and pay the plaintiffs the delinquent contributions due the plaintiffs plus prejudgment

interest from the date when each month's payment was due and liquidated damages of 20% per annum pursuant to 29 U.S.C. Section 1132(g)(2);

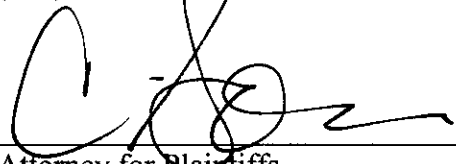
2. That the defendant be ordered to make all future payments to plaintiffs and submit monthly reports of hours in a timely manner in accordance with its collective bargaining agreement;

3. That the defendant be ordered to pay to the plaintiffs' costs and disbursements, including its reasonable attorney's fees in this action, pursuant to 29 U.S.C. Section 1132(g)(2); and

4. That the plaintiffs receive such other legal or equitable relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

1. TITLE OF CASE (NAME OF FIRST PARTY ON EACH SIDE ONLY) Massachusetts Carpenters Central Collection Agency, et al v. MHC Corp.
2. CATEGORY IN WHICH THE CASE BELONGS BASED UPON THE NUMBERED NATURE OF SUIT CODE LISTED ON THE CIVIL COVER SHEET. (SEE LOCAL RULE 40.1(A)(1)).

I. 160, 410, 470, R.23, REGARDLESS OF NATURE OF SUIT.

X II. 195, 368, 400, 440, 441-444, 540, 550, 555, 625, 710, 720, 730, 740, 790, 791, 820*, 830*, 840*, 850, 890, 892-894, 895, 950.

*Also complete AO 120 or AO 121 for patent, trademark or copyright cases

III. 110, 120, 130, 140, 151, 190, 210, 230, 240, 245, 290, 310, 315, 320, 330, 340, 345, 350, 355, 360, 362, 365, 370, 371, 380, 385, 450, 891.

IV. 220, 422, 423, 430, 460, 510, 530, 610, 620, 630, 640, 650, 660, 690, 810, 861-865, 870, 871, 875, 900.

V. 150, 152, 153.

3. TITLE AND NUMBER, IF ANY, OF RELATED CASES. (SEE LOCAL RULE 40.1(G)). IF MORE THAN ONE PRIOR RELATED CASE HAS BEEN FILED IN THIS DISTRICT PLEASE INDICATE THE TITLE AND NUMBER OF THE FIRST FILED CASE IN THIS COURT.

4. HAS A PRIOR ACTION BETWEEN THE SAME PARTIES AND BASED ON THE SAME CLAIM EVER BEEN FILED IN THIS COURT?

YES ☐ NO ☒

5. DOES THE COMPLAINT IN THIS CASE QUESTION THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF AN ACT OF CONGRESS AFFECTING THE PUBLIC INTEREST? (SEE 28 USC §2403)

YES ☐ NO ☒

IF SO, IS THE U.S.A. OR AN OFFICER, AGENT OR EMPLOYEE OF THE U.S. A PARTY?

YES ☐ NO ☒

6. IS THIS CASE REQUIRED TO BE HEARD AND DETERMINED BY A DISTRICT COURT OF THREE JUDGES PURSUANT TO TITLE 28 USC §2284?

YES ☐ NO ☒

7. DO ALL OF THE PARTIES IN THIS ACTION, EXCLUDING GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS ("GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES"), RESIDING IN MASSACHUSETTS RESIDE IN THE SAME DIVISION? - (SEE LOCAL RULE 40.1(D)).

YES ☒ NO ☐

- A. IF YES, IN WHICH DIVISION DO ALL OF THE NON-GOVERNMENTAL PARTIES RESIDE?

DIVISION ☐

CENTRAL DIVISION ☐

WESTERN DIVISION ☐

EASTERN

- B. IF NO, IN WHICH DIVISION DO THE MAJORITY OF THE PLAINTIFFS OR THE ONLY PARTIES, EXCLUDING GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, RESIDING IN MASSACHUSETTS RESIDE?

EASTERN DIVISION ☐

CENTRAL DIVISION ☐

WESTERN DIVISION ☐

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CIVIL COVER SHEET

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

MASSACHUSETTS CARPENTERS CENTRAL
COLLECTION AGENCY, ET AL

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff _____
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

(c) Attorney's (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)

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DEFENDANTS

MHC CORP.

County of Residence of First Listed

(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE
LAND INVOLVED.

Attorneys (If Known)

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff
- ☒ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
- ☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant
- ☐ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

- Citizen of This State ☐ 1 ☐ 1 DEF Incorporated or Principal Place of Business in This State ☐ 4 ☐ 4 DEF
- Citizen of Another State ☐ 2 ☐ 2 DEF Incorporated and Principal Place of Business in Another State ☐ 5 ☐ 5 DEF
- Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country ☐ 3 ☐ 3 DEF Foreign Nation ☐ 6 ☐ 6 DEF

IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES	
<input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act <input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of <input type="checkbox"/> Judgment/Car Act <input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excl. Veterans) <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits <input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract <input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury	<input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury—Med. Malpractice <input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury—Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending <input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 610 Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> 620 Other Food & Drug <input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC <input type="checkbox"/> 630 Liquor Laws <input type="checkbox"/> 640 R.R. & Truck <input type="checkbox"/> 650 Airline Regs. <input type="checkbox"/> 660 Occupational Safety/Health <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other	<input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 PROPERTY RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark SOCIAL SECURITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (13 USC) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIW C/DIW W (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g)) FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609	<input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce/ICC Rates/etc. <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> 810 Selective Service <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange <input type="checkbox"/> 875 Customer Challenge 12 USC 3410 <input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts <input type="checkbox"/> 892 Economic Stabilization Act <input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters <input type="checkbox"/> 894 Energy Allocation Act <input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act <input type="checkbox"/> 900 Appeal of Fee Determination Equal Access to Justice <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes <input type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions
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V. ORIGIN

(PLACE AN "X" IN ONE BOX ONLY)

- ☒ 1 Original Proceeding ☐ 2 Removed from State Court ☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court ☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened ☐ 5 Transferred from another district (specify) ☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation ☐ 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION

(Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write brief statement of cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.)

Payment of delinquent contributions to Plaintiff Funds, ERISA 29 USC §1132(a)(3), §1145 LMRA 29 USC §185

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

☐ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:

JURY DEMAND: ☐ Yes ☐ No

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions):

JUDGE

DOCKET NUMBER

DATE

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

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AMOUNT

APPLYING IFP

JUDGE

MAG. JUDGE